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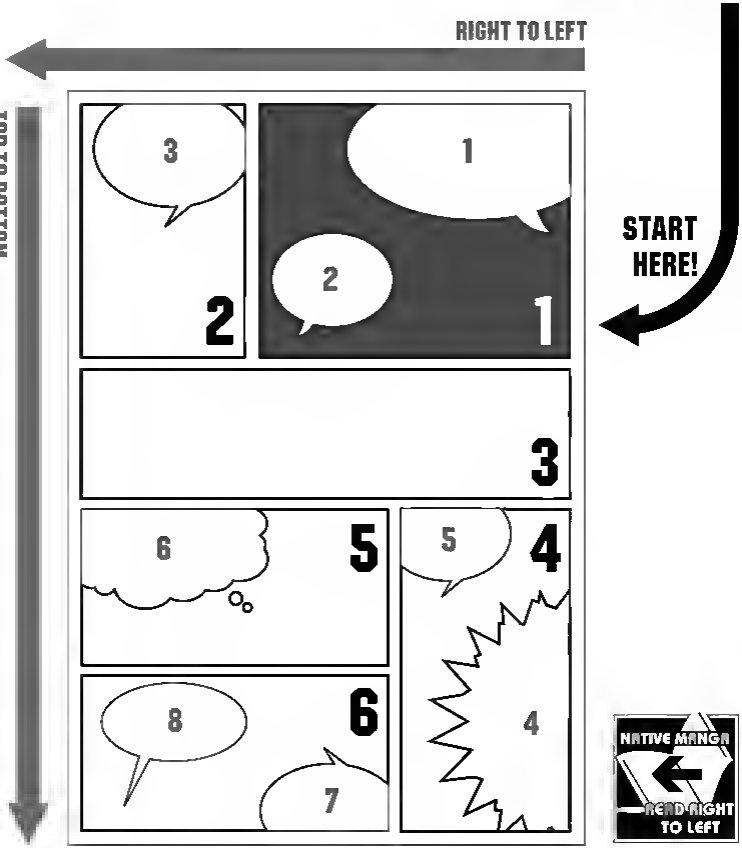
READ EACH PANEL FROM RIGHT TO LEFT, TOP TO BOTTOM SEE HOW IT'S DONE BELOW!



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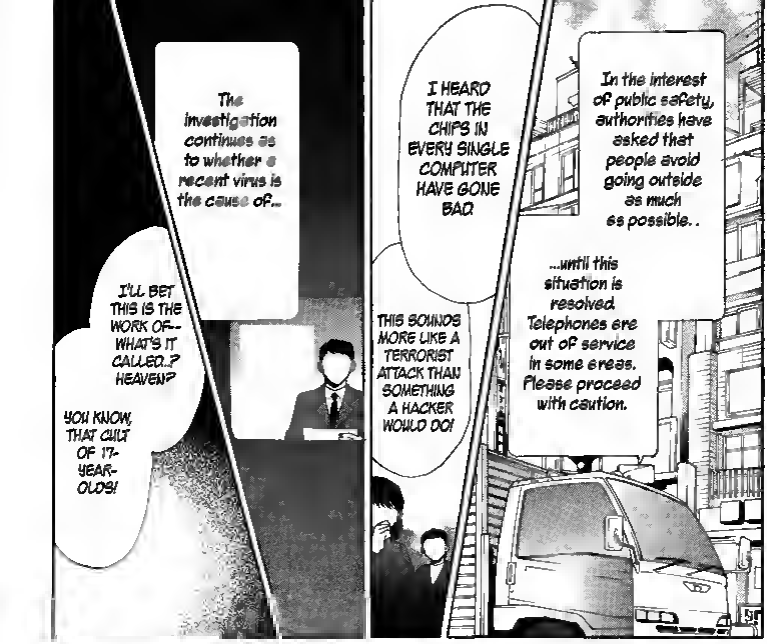
Mio is still a little angel in my mind..
I loved them so much... I wanted nothing more than to protect them.
And I see the vision of my mother tragically dying alone.
That's why I vowed..
...that I would at least save Rei.

HUH?
HEY! THE OSL IS RUNNING SLOW AS HELL.
THIS ATM JUST ATE MY CARD!
MY VISA BILL WILL BE LATE!
HELP! I'M TRAPPED!
THE ELEVATOR'S STUCK!
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON?!


The investigation continues as to whether a recent virus is the cause of...
I'LL BET THIS IS THE WORK OF-- WHAT'S IT CALLED..? HEAVEN?
YOU KNOW, THAT CULT OF 17-YEAR-OLDS!
I HEARD THAT THE CHIPS IN EVERY SINGLE COMPUTER HAVE GONE BAD.
THIS SOUNDS MORE LIKE A TERRORIST ATTACK THAN SOMETHING A HACKER WOULD DO!
In the interest of public safety, authorities have asked that people avoid going outside as much as possible..
...until this situation is resolved. Telephones are out of service in some areas. Please proceed with caution.

It's begun.

That's right.
At long last.
Come quickly, Ren.
Come, try to stop me!
THE ENDGAME HAS BEGUN.
Let's play together one last time...just like the old days.

IT IS... UNAVOIDABLE.
IT IS BECAUSE THEY ARE CHILDREN.
IT'S A WASTE OF TIME, TOYING AROUND WITH REN.
IT'S CHILDISH.
OUR DUTIES WILL SOON BE COMING TO A CLOSE.
THE DAMAGE, HOWEVER, HAS JUST BEGUN.
SOON, OUR VIRUS, "FEAR", WILL AFFECT EVERY MIND ON EARTH!

HERE'S SOME FOOD. EAT.
IT LOOKS GROSS.
OH, PARDON ME, MR. GOURMET!
BEGGARS CAN'T BE CHOOSERS.
WHOA! THIS IS NASTY! RAI WAS A GREAT COOK.
DON'T COMPARE ME WITH YOUR "EX."
BESIDES, THE GAS AND ELECTRICITY ARE OUT. I CAN'T HELP THAT.
I did what I could!
SO DEAL WITH IT!

I TOLD YOU TO STOP BOTHERING ME.
...WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
But it all
HEY...
YOU'RE GOING TO FIGHT HIM, RIGHT?
.....
I SUPPOSE IN A WAY, YOU ARE. I LEFT HOME. MY DAD WAS ONE OF THOSE BIG WIGS WITH A MISTRESS..
GEEZ! EASE UP "DAD"! AM I LIKE YOUR SURROGATE FAMILY, OR WHAT?
LET IT GO, MAN!
BESIDES, THERE'S A CURFEW. YOU SHOULDN'T GO OUT ALONE.

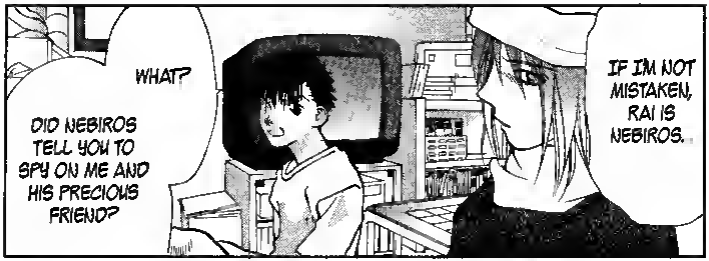
...AND I'M THE ILLEGITIMATE SON.
I BECAME A PAWN IN AN INHERITANCE BATTLE.
ALL MY RELATIVES FOUGHT OVER ME, THINKING I COULD BENEFIT THEM.
But when they found out about my illness...
...I was thrown out like yesterday's garbage.
Here's enough money to support you for a while. Don't ever come back here.
IF YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING TO TRY TO STOP ME WITH SOME SOB STORY...
NOT GOOD ENOUGH, EH?
THEN HOW ABOUT BY FORCE?

NOT BAD, EH?
YOU...YOU'VE GOT TO HAVE NOTICED THAT WE AREN'T NORMAL HUMANS.
STAY OUT OF THIS. YOU'LL GET HURT.
WHAT'RE YOU GOING TO DO?

There's no place in Heaven reserved for us.
No chance of us ever becoming angels
AFTER ALL IS SAID AND DONE, YOU THINK YOU AND RAI WILL LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER?
NO...I DON'T THINK THAT AT ALL.
THE DIABOLO...
...HE'LL HAVE TO ANSWER FOR ALL THOSE DEATHS.
IN THE PROCESS OF SAVING PEOPLE, WE'VE HAD TO TAKE MANY LIVES.
Dust to dust...

GOODBYE.
I doubt we'll meet again.
THANKS FOR EVERYTHING, KYOHYA.
YOU'RE A GOOD PERSON.
SO YOU'RE GOING?
I'm going to save you, Rai.
I'm going to keep my promise... even if we kill each other
No matter where you hide...no matter what you do... I'll find you...

I'VE BEEN GIVEN THE COLD SHOULDER.
...you and I will dance with the devil.
OH, IT'S YOU, EH, NANA?
UNFORGIVABLE, EH? CONSOLE ME.


IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, RAI IS NEBIROS.
WHAT?
DID NEBIROS TELL YOU TO SPY ON ME AND HIS PRECIOUS FRIEND?

YOU'RE A GIRL. MAYBE YOU HAVE FEELINGS FOR HIM AS WELL.
Humph!
THAT AIN'T IT!
STOP LOOKIN' INSIDE PEOPLE'S HEADS!

...HURRY UP AND GIT.
FINE.

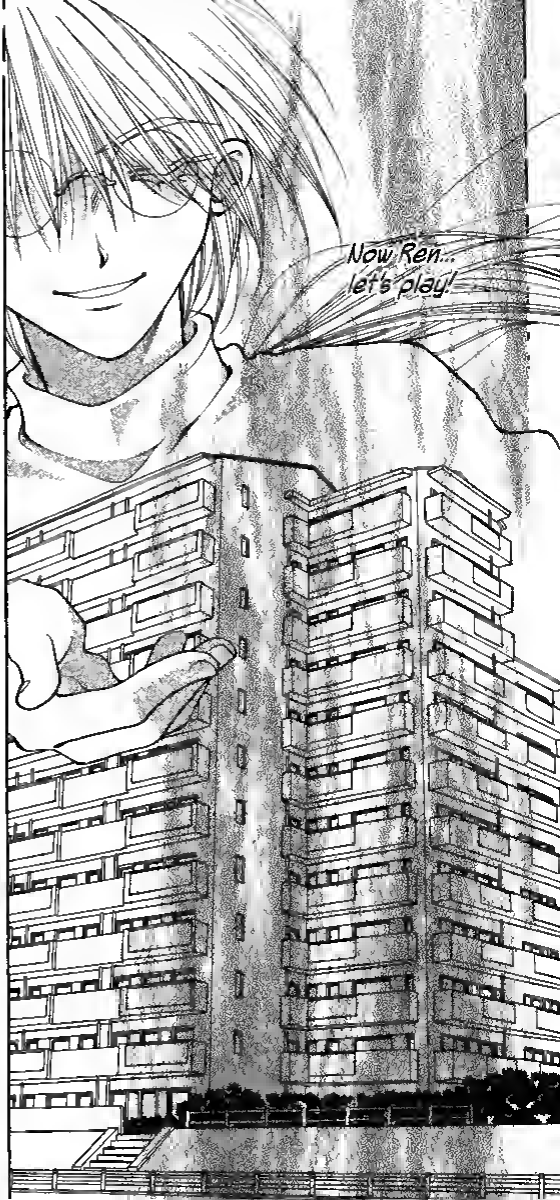
THERE'S GONNA BE A PARTY.
AN IMPORTANT GUEST IS COMIN' SO...

I MIGHT AS WELL LIVE IT UP IF THIS IS HOW IT'S GONNA BE.
HEY YOU! WAIT!
WE'RE FROM NEIGHBOR-HOOD WATCH. WHO ARE YOU?
YOU A 17-YEAR-OLD?! YOU FROM HEAVEN?!
.....
WELL?

I can hear you calling me...

I can hear you, Rei...

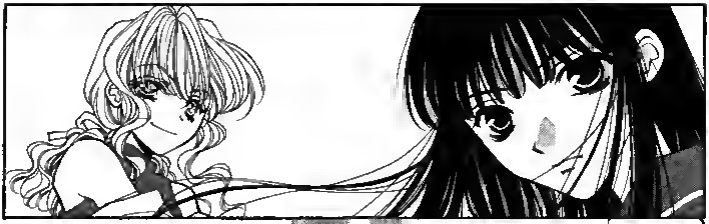
Ren, come on!
Hurry!
Hey, over here!
I'll go first and wait for you..
...at the usual place!


Now, Ren...
let's play!

TSUKIKO... YOU CAME.
MY NOSE IS SHARP, YOU KNOW.
LORD NEBI-ROS...
NO NEED FOR FORMALITY. WE'RE FRIENDS, AREN'T WE?
IS THIS RIGHT?
ARE THESE REALLY LADY NEMAS ORDERS?
HM...
I...

ARE YOU SCARED, FLEURETY?
IS THE WEAK TSUKIKO STILL SHOWING HER FACE?
SHALL I HOLD YOU, AND CALM YOUR FEARS?
WHAT I'M AFRAID OF..
...IS YOU, NEBIROS.
I thought that something would change when all six of us gathered but
GET AWAY FROM ME.
IT DOESN'T BOTHER YOU, REI?
CALL ME SATANACHIA, FLEURETY.
FRIGID, AREN'T YOU?
Where are you going?
I'M FINE AS LONG AS IT'S INTERESTING.
EVEN YUU IS INFATUATED WITH THAT GIRL HIROMI FROM THE NET.

WELL NOW...
WHO'LL GO OUT TO MEET HIM FIRST?
ANY VOLUNTEERS?



Ten years ago it was an empty lot but...
...right now it's a luxurious, yet infamous condominium.
A number of dead bodies have turned up. After a family was murdered, everyone moved out. It's completely vacant.
WAIT. I'LL TRY TO FIND THE BLUE-PRINTS.

Hiromi fell to the Diabolo, but retained her human soul, just like us...
OKAY... THANKS, HIROMI.
IT'S TOO BAD... ABOUT RAI...
...BUT I'LL DO WHAT I CAN TO HELP FACE HIM.
RIGHT NOW, ALL I HAVE IS A POSSIBLE LOCATION
THAT'S GOOD ENOUGH FOR NOW, HIROMI...
TOSHI
REN...
...BE CAREFUL, ALL RIGHT?
You have to live...if only to stop me should I become a monster..

WHAT...
MOM?
WHO'S THAT ON THE PHONE?
THEY'RE SAYING ON TV THAT COMPUTERS EVERYWHERE HAVE BROKEN DOWN... THAT YOU CAN'T GET ONLINE.
ARE YOU ON THE INTERNET?
DON'T LIE TO ME!
...BUT THE STRANGE THING IS--
THIS GUY FROM THE CHAT ROOM, HE'S AMAZING...
IT'S A FRIEND..
HE HELPED ME FIND AN ALTERNATE CONNECTION.

YOU'VE CHANGED, HIROMI.
SINCE YOU TURNED 17.. YOU'VE BECOME SO PRETTY. BUT YOU'RE NOT THE OLD HIROMI.
AND YOU'VE QUIT SCHOOL. NOW YOU SPEND ALL YOUR TIME ON THE COMPUTER. EVEN SO, I BELIEVED IN YOU, BUT..
MOM?
IM SORRY, BUT I MADE A PROMISE TO A FRIEND AND..
..WELL, WE CAN DISCUSS THIS LATER, OKAY?
HEAVEN...
17 YEARS OLD...
CRIMINALS...
ITS ALWAYS THE MOTHER'S FAULT..
DEVIL!
I'LL BE KILLED..
WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ON THE NEWS...
MOM?
IF YOU WANT TO TALK LATER..

WHAT THEY SAY ON THE NEWS. IT'S TRUE, ISN'T IT?!
YOU'VE BECOME ONE OF THOSE SATANISTS!
YOU'RE GOING TO GO CRAZY AND...

MOM, STOP IT! YOU'RE THE ONE TALKING CRAZY!
YOU WOULD KILL YOUR OWN MOTHER?!
I WON'T LET YOU! I'LL KILL YOU BEFORE YOU KILL ME.
I LOVE YOU, HIROMI! I WON'T LET YOU BECOME...
...ONE OF THOSE ANIMALS!
MY LITTLE GIRL...!

MOM, NO...!
What am I gonna do? I have to go in!
Dammit Hiromi! I can't wait for you any longer...

RAI...!

NICE TRY, REN.
BUT YOU CANNOT WIN. YOU WILL BE MINE!

RAI, LISTEN...
WE MADE A PACT, REMEMBER?! WE'D LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER!
AND IF ONE OF US EVER FELL TO THE DIABOLO, THE OTHER WOULD SAVE HIM!
CHILDISH NAIVETE. IT'S NOT AS THOUGH DIABOLO ARE SUDDENLY BORN.
IT'S A DARK VIRUS THAT HAS HIDDEN INSIDE HUMANITY FOR A LONG TIME.
IT'S SOMETHING THAT IS INHERITED THROUGH DNA.
YOU CAN'T FIGHT IT. YOU CAN'T DENY YOUR DESTINY.
NOW REN... LET'S PLAY, HMM?

DAMMIT, RAI! IS THIS SOME KIND OF GAME TO YOU?
STOP IT!
I've been chasing after you for ten years.
REI, YOU'RE IT. YOU'RE THE DEVIL.
HIDE AND SEEK? OR IS IT TAG?
How about you chase after me for a change, Rei?
RAI...!
HA HA HA!

I'VE LAID SOME INTERESTING SURPRISES FOR YOU HERE AND THERE.
I HOPE YOU ENJOY THEM!
Traps? Snares...?
Th-is!...

KYOUYA....
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
I'M SORRY, REN.
I DIDN'T MEAN TO DECEIVE YOU, BUT...
..THIS IS BEYOND UNFORGIVABLE.
IT MAKES ME SICK.
He planned all this?
What a treacherous little bastard.

THE GENERAL OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS, AGUIAREPT...
チャキ
STANDS READY.

Salvation
Diabolo

KYOUYA, WAI--

Beloved Ren...
MY BRILLIANT AND HONEST, FOUL-MOUTHED BEST FRIEND!
...!
You never saw my unavoidable, unbelievable pain, did you?
AND NOW... YOU MUST FALL TO THE SAME DEPTHS AS I HAVE.
You couldn't understand...
...how happy I was that you'd fallen to the Diabolo like me...!

STOP IT, KYOUYA!
WHY ARE YOU...?!
LORD NEBIROS...

I DID NOT SUMMON YOU, FLEURETY
WHAT IS IT?
WHY SHOULD WE GO TO THE TROUBLE OF TAKING HIM ON ONE BY ONE... IF YOU'RE JUST GOING TO KILL HIM ANYWAY?
WHY, MY DEAR FLEURETY .I COULD NEVER KILL MY BELOVED REN.
THIS IS JUST A GAME.
A LITTLE FUN BEFORE THE END.
Ren is a wild dog that won't tame
I just want to weaken him... wear him out...

WHY ARE YOU UPSET? WOMEN ARE SO NEUROTIC, AREN'T THEY?
so that I may hold him
Loneliness.
I REMEMBER THINGS I DON'T WANT TO... HORRIBLE THINGS...
I remember a curse that uses the survivor from a sealed container as a sacrifice.

That's just like us right now.
...what if Ren defeats the Six Great Spirits, one by one? What then?
Ren, but...
HOW LONG CAN YOU RUN, REN?!
ARE YOU HOLDING BACK BECAUSE I TOOK CARE OF YOU FOR THE NIGHT?!
HOW NOBLE OF YOU. AND PATHETIC...
WHERE'S YOUR SPECIAL OFFENSE NOW?!

THE ONLY WAY YOU'LL GET TO RAI IS THROUGH ME!
WHY?
WHY DO I NEED TO FIGHT YOU, KYOUYA? MY FIGHT IS WITH RAI!
ALL RIGHT...

.....
YOUR OFFENSE IS STRONG, BUT YOUR DEFENSE BLOWS.
YOU WERE REALLY DEPENDANT ON RAI, WEREN'T YOU?
I ADMIRED THE TWO OF YOU...
...TO THE POINT THAT I WAS JEALOUS JUST WATCHING, YOU KNOW?
THE TWO OF YOU...
...I might
one friend like you...

..TRIED TO SAVE THE PEOPLE WHO'D FALLEN, AND KILLED THEM WITH THAT POWER, RIGHT?
IT MUST HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT TO LISTEN TO THEIR SCREAMS, EH?
.....
RELAX.
IT WILL ALL BE OVER...

...SOON.
RE...
REN.
I HAVE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH REN.
THE SKETCH...
THE BLUE... PRINTS.

THE BUILDING'S SECRET...
SHORT-CUTS...
HIDDEN ROOMS...
YOU'RE ONE OF THEM! I HAVE TO KILL YOU! [illegible] YOU!
WE'LL GO TOGETHER!
HIROMI!
Mom...
MOM, NO! STOP!

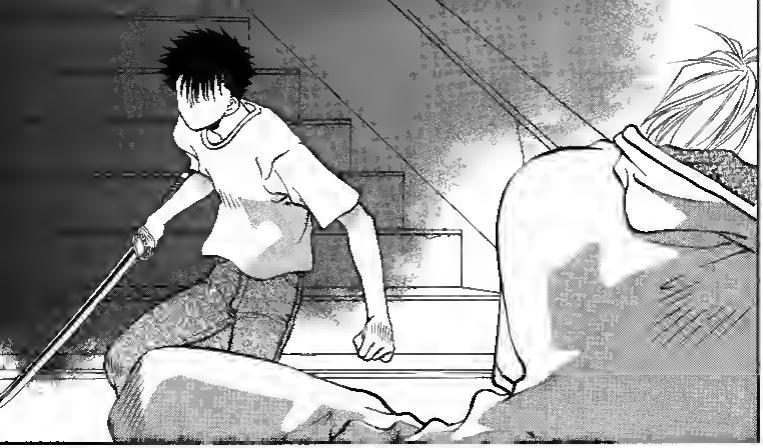
I'LL SAVE YOU, HIROMI! I WILL...!
THE POISON...!
MOM--
I GOT SOME MEDICINE FROM THE NEIGHBORS!
A POISON... SOMETHING TO STOP YOUR 17-YEAR-OLD CHILD FROM FALLING TO THE DARKNESS!
She's insane!
Got to fight...
IT WILL ONLY HURT FOR A MOMENT!
NOOOO!!

PANT
PANT
MOM?
!
The same tragedy is probably repeating itself everywhere.
Parents and children trying to kill each other.
OOF..
MOM!

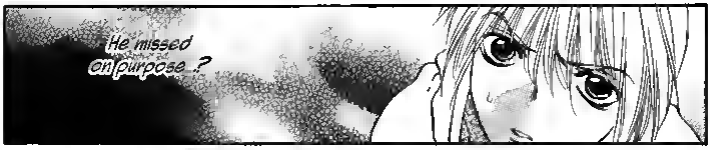
This, of all things, is the dance that the devils truly enjoy.
I'm sorry, Mom.
I remember how close we were when I was young...
Once I thought, "What if you were to disappear?" and cried in my bed.
And now I'm typing on the computer next to my fallen mother.
I have probably already fallen.

REN...
Unable to Connect
I CAN'T SEND IT...
WHY?
BUT..THEY SAID THIS CONNECTION WAS SPECIAL...
BUP
Hey, Hiromi
WHO?
HUH?
Sorry. You were cute and I liked you, but...
...I CAN'T LET YOU GET IN THE WAY OF THE GAME.
EVEN IF IT'S JUST ON THE NET, I CAN'T LET ANYONE IN.

SO YOU WERE ONE OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS AFTER ALL...
IS THAT SO?
YOU'RE TOO LATE NOW.
...ME.
Ren is fighting in there alone...
THEN YOUR OPPONENT IS...



QUICK MOVE!


He missed on purpose..?

NO MATTER HOW STRONG YOU ARE, SOMETHING LIKE THAT IS NOTHING TO BE PROUD OF
TELL ME..
..WHAT ARE THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS? WHAT'S SO GREAT ABOUT POWERS THAT CAN ONLY HARM OTHERS?

YOU DEVIL!
I GET TO DESTROY A WORLD THAT'S BEEN MAKING ME ROT. I'D SAY THAT'S PRETTY IMPRESSIVE, ISN'T IT?
IF I'M GOING TO FALL TO THE DARKNESS ANYWAY, THEN I WANT TO TAKE THE WORLD DOWN WITH ME!
But little by little, Kyouya's movements are slowing down.
It's almost as if he's reading my mind.
He can dodge them all.

THIS ENDS NOW!

KYOUYA!
Yes. Perhaps this
Heh heh...
is the result of my wishes.
I've done myself in
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO--
!

?!
HMPH!

KYOUYA!
YOU...
...YOU...DID THIS ON PURPOSE...
He was trying to get killed..?
YOU'RE SO NAIVE, AREN'T YOU? GO AHEAD... FINISH IT.

I'M TAKING YOU TO THE HOSPITAL WHEN I'M DONE, OKAY?
YOU WAIT HERE.
HE DIDN'T FINISH ME...
..THAT WAS A STUPID MISTAKE.
I've never seen someone so reckless.
HA HA HA HA HA!

APPEARANCES ARE DECEIVING, EH?
FLEURETY... YOU'RE UP.
Heh... Haven't laughed like that in a long time.
OH DEAR, OH DEAR.
DON'T HIDE. COME ON OUT.
YOU DON'T LIKE IT?
WHY DON'T YOU GO TATTLE TO LADY NEMA OR MASTER?
?
YOU'RE SAYING TSUKIKO SHOULD CLEANSE HER DIRTY BODY WITH REN'S BLOOD?
WHAT ARE YOU SO UPSET ABOUT?

MAYBE YOU'LL DO IT FOR ME?
LET'S SHOW REN HOW DIFFICULT SOCIETY CAN BE...
.....
SARGATA-NAS... NO...
Oh...
...NANA.

How many more floors?
This mansion, wasn't it about twelve stories?
This staircase seems to go on forever!
IF YOU'RE TIRED, THEN MAYBE YOU SHOULD STOP.

YOU CAN WALK DOWN, BUT...
...IT'S A LOT FASTER IF YOU FALL.
IT'S HARD CHASING AFTER YOUR IDEALS ISN'T IT?
IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, YOU'RE... REI, RIGHT?
ARE YOU ONE OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS, TOO?
I'M THE MOST INNOCENT AND SINLESS SPIRIT, SATANACHIA
AFTER ALL, ME, MYSELF. YOU KNOW, ALL I HAVE IS THIS BEAUTY.

THAT'S WHY MY CAPTIVE DOLLS ARE THE ONES WHO WILL FIGHT
THE FAITHFUL OF HEAVEN, YOU KNOW.
!
What the hell am I up against...?
SCARED YET?
UNLESS YOU DEFEAT ME, YOU CAN'T GET OUT OF THIS CHURCH, MR. NICE GUY.

Diabolo
Betrayal

EVERYBODY! TIME TO FEAST!
THE FEAST FOR THE SABBATH IS RICASSEE OF A CHILD THAT HASN'T BEEN BAPTIZED!
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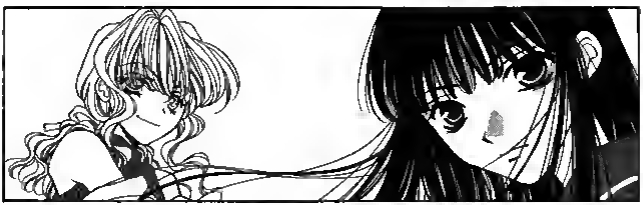
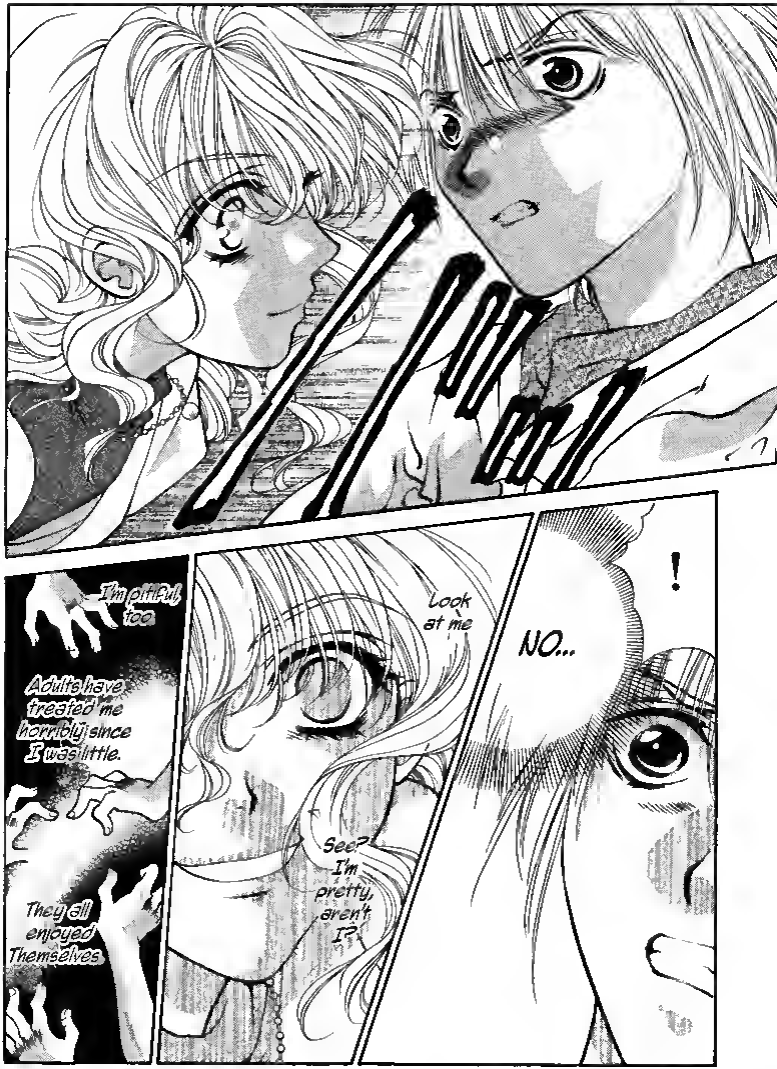


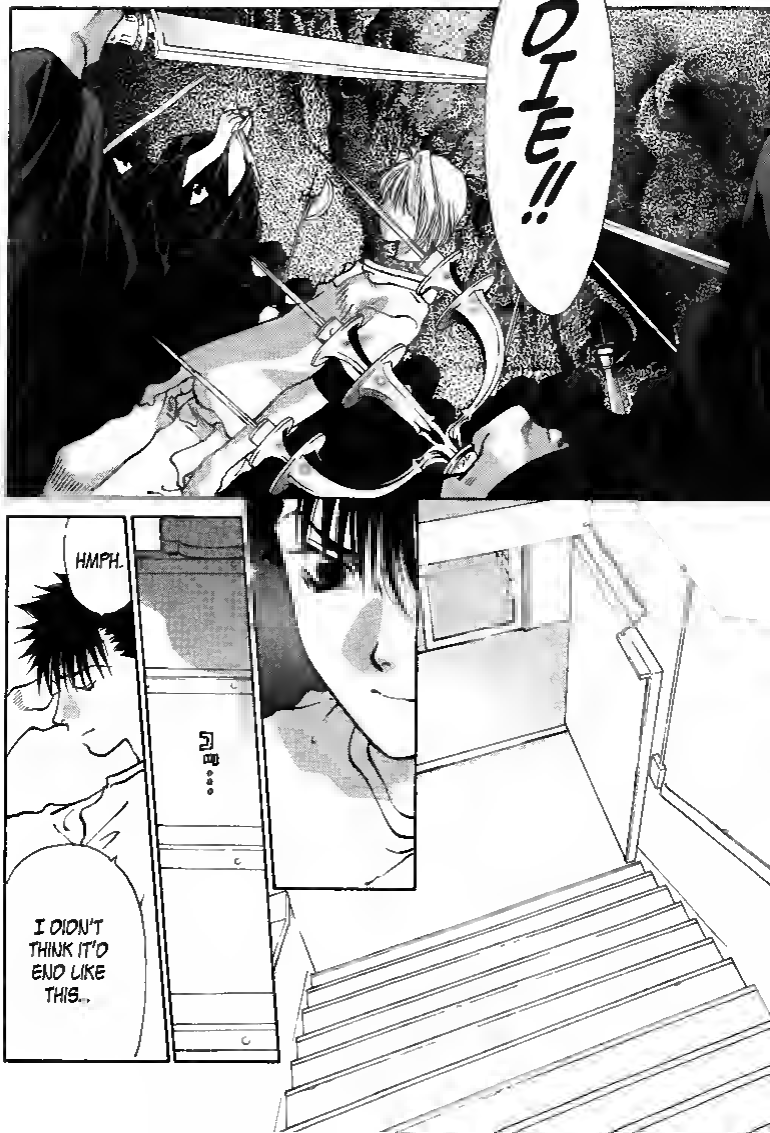
I'D TELL YOU TO MAKE PEACE WITH YOUR GOD. BUT THERE IS NO REDEMPTION FOR SUCH AS WE.
..AS I DRINK SAKE FROM YOUR SHATTERED SKULL!
I'LL TOAST YOUR DEFIANCE, THEN..
YOU'LL NOT FIND ME SO EASY TO KILL, REI!
RAI... SHOW YOURSELF!

ARGH!!
AAAH!!
OH, DEAR.
ARE YOU LEAVING, REN?
JOIN US. WE'RE ALL 17 YEAR OLDS.
IF THEY'VE FALLEN DUE TO YOUR POWERS AS ONE OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS, THEN...
...YOU'LL DUPLICATE THE SLAUGHTER LIKE AT THAT UNDERGROUND HOSPITAL, RIGHT?
YOU DID THAT, DION'T YOU?

SO AGGRESSIVE, REN! JUST WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A DIABOLO.
I WONDER IF YOUR RESOLVE WOULD HOLD IF I TOLD YOU MIO WAS HERE?
NOT AGAIN, RAI! NOT EVER AGAIN!
YOU WON'T HURT ANYONE AGAIN! I WON'T LET YOU!
YOU . MIO...
I know Mio-chan!
WHAT?!
MIO?!


!
NO...
Look at me
See? I'm pretty, aren't I?
I'm pitiful, too.
Adults have treated me horribly since I was little.
They all enjoyed themselves.

Treasure me.
Love me.
Listen to my wishes.
... NEBIROS IS SCARIER THAN LADY NEMA OR THE MASTER.
I MUST OBEY I HAVE NO CHOICE
むぐ...
. BUT NEBIROS'S ORDERS.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S THINKING, BUT...
REN...
...I WANTED TO BE FRIENDS WITH YOU ...


DIE!!
HMPH.
I DIDN'T THINK IT'D END LIKE THIS...

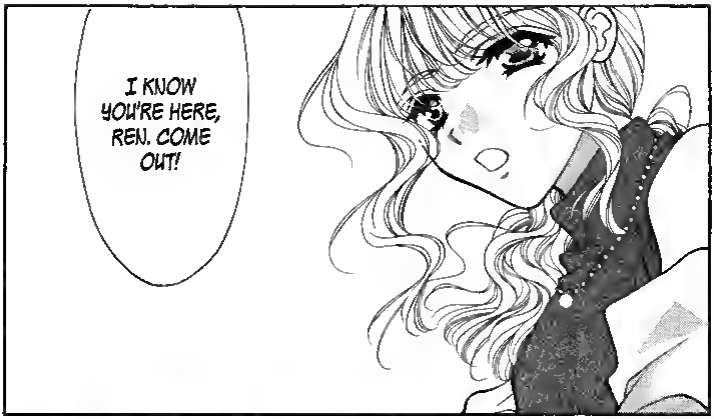
NEBIROS SENT YOU INSTEAD OF COMING HIMSELF, EH?
YOU'RE TO BE MY ASSASSIN?
WELL, TO DIE AT YOUR BEAUTIFUL HANDS...I GUESS THAT'S NOT TOO BAD.
KYOWYA...
YOU... DISAPPOINT ME.

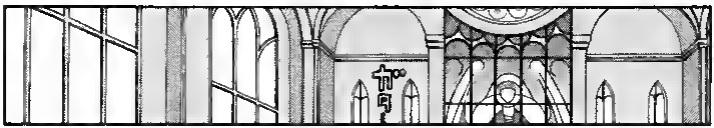
THE SPIRIT GENERAL, AGUIAREPT...
.. CHOOSES DEATH BECAUSE HE IS SICK? THIS IS WHAT YOU'VE COME TO?
IT'S PITIFUL THAT YOU'VE BECOME SO WEAK.
.....
A LITTLE IRONIC COMING FROM YOU, TSUKIKO.
IF YOU SO DESIRE DEATH, GENERAL ..
..THEN I WILL BE HAPPY TO GRANT YOUR REQUEST.

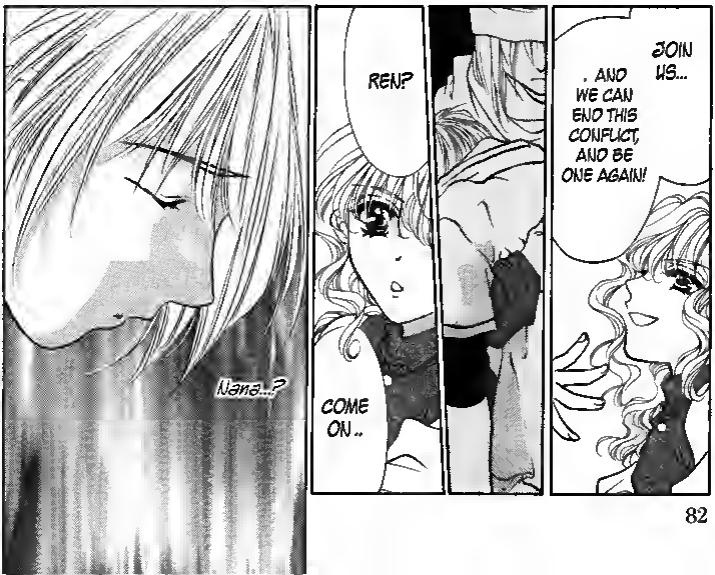
FLEURETY, QUEEN OF THE NIGHT... SO BE IT.
NOW, EVERYBODY!
CUT HIM DOWN!
SLICE HIM THINLY...
...BECAUSE A FRICASSEE IS A STEW OF THINLY SLICED MEAT!

BYE
BYE.

He's disappeared..?
WH...?
HUH?
Where in the world..?
THIS POWER...
...IT COULDN'T BE..!


I KNOW YOU'RE HERE, REN. COME OUT!




JOIN US... . AND WE CAN END THIS CONFLICT, AND BE ONE AGAIN!
REN?
COME ON..
Nana...?

ARE YOU PLANNING TO BETRAY US, BRIGADIER MAJOR SARGATANAS?

YOU'RE SO PUROY, AIN'TCHA SATANACHIA?
AH'D LIKE YA TO TELL ME HOW YOU REALLY BEEN FEELIN'.
YOU DONE PLAYED ME FOR A FOOL THIS WHOLE TIME, AIN'T YA?
WHAT IS IT, NANA? SULKING AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
IT REALLY DOES NOT BECOME YOU.
YEAH.
THAT'S IT.
AH AIN'T PRETTY.
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AH KNOW YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH HELL 'CUZ YOU'RE PURDY AN' ALL, BUT...
AH WAS SO JEALOUS OF YOU.
Nana...?
What in the world is she...?
AND THEN...
...AH HATED YOU.
STOP HER!

NANA! RUN!
MY SPELL WORE OFF ALREADY?
HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE?!
HOW DARE YOU GET IN MY WAY, NANA!
YOU'LL PAY FOR BETRAYING ME LIKE THIS!
AHM TIRED.
REI, YOU GIT HOME, TOO. JUST QUIT.
THEN YOU DIE ALONE!

STOP!
IT AIN'T NO USE ATTACKIN' ME.
DON'T INTERFERE, REI.
REI.
YOU KNOW OF MUH POWERS, DON'TCHA?

HMPH! YOU'RE JUST RUNNING BY MOVING THROUGH DIMENSIONS.
YOU THINK THAT YOUR PATHETIC ABILITIES CAN STOP ME?

IT AIN'T MOVIN'.
AHM CONNECTING TWO DIMENSIONS.

NANA...?
URG!
MY... HEART!
YOU DON'T PLAY FAIR, NANA
YOU SAID THAT YOU'D LET ME IN AS A FRIEND. THAT YOU'D SAVE ME.
AND THEN... WHEN YOU PRETENDED TO SYMPATHIZE WITH ME, YOU WERE PITYING ME AND MAKING FUN OF ME.
SOME FRIEND. YOU'RE THE WORST.
YER RIGHT, REI.

THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS... THERE AIN'T NO BOND BETWEEN US.
AH DON'T WANTA SEE YA SINNIN' NO MORE.
AH'LL SAVE YA, AS A FRIEND.
REI, FERGIVE ME.
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GAAGH!
SQUISH

NANA...? WHAT THE...?!
REI DIED AN' THE SPELL DONE WORE OFF
WE GOT BACK TO THIS DIMENSION AN' THEY GONE BACK TO BEIN' CORPSES.
YOU...
YOU SAVED ME! WHY WOULD YOU..
...save ME?
RAI...

...HELO MUH AN' GENTLY CALLED MUH "NANA".
JES' LIKE A LOVER.
IT WUZ LIKE A DREAM AN'...
...AH THOUGHT I'D DONE FAINTED.
She really cared for Ra'.
BUT...
...AHM A TULSA GIRL... STRONG AN' INDEPEN-DENT.

AH AIN'T FALLIN' FOR NO COWARDLY SNARE LIKE THAT.
THE RAI AH CARED FER WOULD NEVER DO NOTHIN' LIKE THAT.
That ain't Rai no more.
THAT'D SPEAK SWEET WORDS TO A GIRL HE DON'T LOVE AND TRY AN' DECEIVE HER.
AH DONE HAD ENOUGH. TO GIT HIM BACK TO THE OLD RAI...
THERE AIN'T NO ONE ELSE BUT YOU
LADY NEMA SAID THAT THIS WAS THE BEGINNING OF IT ALL.
PURDY SOON, SOMETHIN'LL HAPPEN HERE.
NEBIROS... HE'S OBSESSED WITH THE LIKES O' YOU.

NEMA?
That woman?
MASTER'S WIFE...
MASTER DONE SAID HE STARTED THE RITUAL HERE 10 YEARS BACK
THE MASTER...?
WAS HE THE GUY WHO HAD ME AND RAI DO THE RITUAL WHEN WE WERE KIDS?
HE SAID IT WAS FOR MIO'S SAKE, BUT HE TRICKED US AND SACRIFICED HER!
NANA...?

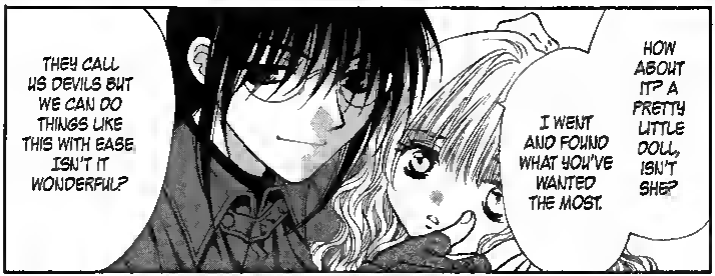
RAI...!

HMPH.
WOMEN! SO COMPLEX AND SUSPICIOUS. THEY'RE A HANDFUL.
BUT YOU'RE THE BEST AFTER ALL, REN.
AND THEY SAY THE CUTE ONE'S ARE DUMB.
RA! WHY.. WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?!
WHAT ABOUT YOU AND NANA?
THIS ISN'T SOME KIND OF GAME! WE'RE NOT TOYS! WE WERE FRIENDS!
YOU CAN REST ASSURED. THERE'S MEANING TO THEIR DEATHS...
..AND WE AREN'T FRIENDS.

I ONLY WANT YOU, REN.
YOU HAVE TO JOIN ME, REN...
BELIEVE ME... IT'S THE ONLY WAY!
COME CLOSER.
GET STRONGER AND STRONGER. GET CLOSER TO ME!
I HAVE A REWARD FOR YOU

It couldn't be...
That's....

My cousin! She went missing ten years ago!
...MIO?!


THEY CALL US DEVILS BUT WE CAN DO THINGS LIKE THIS WITH EASE. ISN'T IT WONDERFUL?
I WENT AND FOUND WHAT YOU'VE WANTED THE MOST.
HOW ABOUT IT? A PRETTY LITTLE DOLL, ISN'T SHE?

SHE'S SEVEN YEARS OLD. SHE HASN'T AGED A DAY. IS THIS SOME KIND OF ILLUSION THAT YOU CREATED..?
WHY HASN'T MIO GROWN?
WAIT A MINUTE.

MIO!
THAT RITUAL TEN YEARS AGO WAS JUST PART OF IT.
WHAT? YOU AREN'T AS HAPPY AS I THOUGHT YOU'D BE. I'M DISAPPOINTED.
DUE TO HER UNIQUE CIRCUMSTANCES, MIO HASN'T AGED.
NOT SO FAST, REN!
THERE ARE STILL A FEW SPIRITS LEFT, AREN'T THERE?
YOU'LL HAVE TO DEFEAT THEM TO GET TO ME!
I THOUGHT WE'D FINISH UP THE RITUAL HERE, ON THIS ROOFTOP. RIGHT NOW.
CAN YOU STOP ME IN TIME, REN?

REN...
MIO!
NO! I WON'T LET YOU, RA!! MIO!
MIO...
That smile... like she's just about to cry...
That's definitely Mio...

I finally found her... in a place like this...
I'll SAVE YOU, MIO...!
...wounds that will never disappear...
a brand from the devil...
the key to the Sabbath
When this horrible play reaches its final act...
...what will it call forth?

Final Battle
Diabolo

The destruction of this world is at hand.
...in [illegible]...
I have to stop the Ritual!
Who's life is...

TSUKIKO?
NO.
YOU'RE...

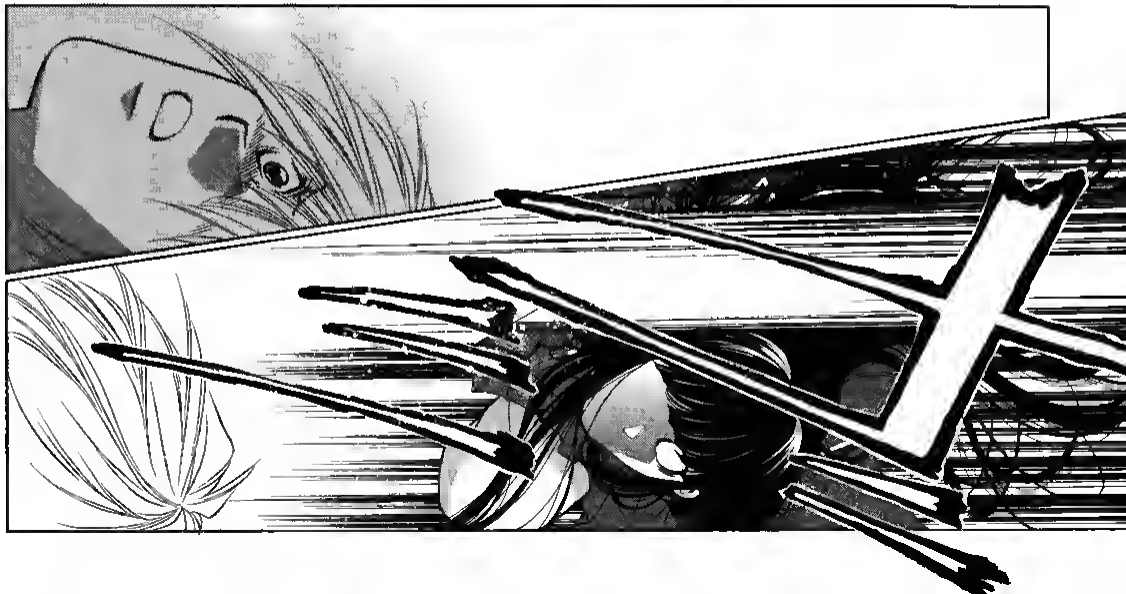
I AM LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FLEURETY!
YOU SHALL NOT PASS!
...Tsukiko's other personality--one of the Six Great Spirits.
NOW DIE!!

That sword..
That style of fighting...
YOU FIGHT LIKE KYOUYA!
!
WHAT DID YOU DO TO HIM?!
THAT'S RIGHT.. I HAVE KYOUYA'S POWER!
I CAN READ YOUR SOUL, TOO.

MY POWER AT NIGHT IS UNLIMITED. I CAN DUPLICATE THE POWERS OF OTHERS!
JUST LIKE ONE OF MY MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES.. IT'S MY SPECIALTY.
YOU'RE LYING! YOU KILLED HIM... DIDN'T YOU?!
...

ENOUGH!
I DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS. GET OUT OF MY WAY!
SHIT!
She's reading all my moves!
...!
I'll aim for the ceiling and her feet.
She can't be at two places...
...at the same time.

Y. YOU'RE..
...GOING TO KILL ME, REN?
TSUKIKO ?!
Is this the real you?
WHY. WHY WOULD YOU HURT ME, REN?
I THOUGHT..
..I THOUGHT YOU CARED..
STOP IT, FLEURETY! IT'S NOT FAIR TO TSUKIKO!
I DON'T WANT TO KILL YOU!
YOU'RE NOT A BAD PERSON.
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT YOU HAVE ALL THOSE PERSONALITIES, BUT..
REN..!



GET AWAY FROM HERE!
I WON'T LET YOU GO TO RA!
TSUKIKO? WHAT IS IT...?
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?
YOU NEED TO RUN... AS FAR AS YOU CAN IF YOU CAN GET AWAY TODAY THEN MAYBE JUST MAYBE THINGS WILL WORK OUT...
QUICKLY! BEFORE THE DAY BREAKS...
...OR ELSE I'LL KILL YOU HERE!

RAI...!

CONTINUE YOUR BATTLE WITH REN. NOW!
JUST AS I EXPECTED, FLEURETY.
YOU TALK TOO MUCH. YOU MUSTN'T AVOID YOUR WORK.
TONIGHT THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS ARE THE SACRIFICES, AREN'T THEY?
AGLIAREPT HAS BEEN DEFEATED. SATANACHIA AND SARGATANAS HAVE FALLEN AS WELL.
YOU JUST LAUGH, AND LOOK ON FROM AFAR.
DON'T YOU, NEBIROS?

!
YOU PLAN TO STAY ALIVE, AND USE REN AS YOUR SUBSTITUTE TO SAVE YOURSELF!
THAT'S IDIOTIC... I'M ONE OF THE SPIRITS, AS WELL.
I'LL STAND AGAINST YOU, NEBIROS.
...BUT I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF BEING USED.
I WON'T BEG FOR MY LIFE...
MY DEAR FLEURETY... YOU'VE GOT ME

STOP IT, RAI!
I SHOULD HAVE DONE YOU BEFORE I DID NANA.

YOU'RE TOO PERSISTENT.
I DON'T LIKE BEING SPIED UPON, EITHER.
Lady Nema and Master!
!
TSUKIKO!
URGH...
Even if she can read the attacks of three people at the same time...
...she can't dodge them all!

OOF!

UGH...!
EVEN WITH YOUR LIFE ON THE LINE, YOU CAN'T HELP BEING NOBLE, CAN YOU?
STAY OUT OF THIS, REN.
YOUR POWERS WON'T HELP THE ONLY NORMAL GRAVITY IS IN THE DIMENSION INSIDE THIS BUILDING.

I'M GETTING BORED, REN.
DROP THAT WOMAN AND COME OVER HERE
MIO IS WAITING, YOU KNOW
Gravity...too strong! Can't...
OOF...
...can't hold on... much...
.....
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHY DON'T YOU LET GO OF MY HAND? I'M STILL HOLDING A SWORD, YOU KNOW!
I CAN'T... I WON'T!
BUT I TRIED TO KILL YOU!
YOU... YOU'RE TOO KIND.
IT'S A WEAKNESS! YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE VICTORY OVER NEBIROS LIKE THAT.

PROMISE ME...
EVEN IF YOU LIVE... EVEN IF YOU ACHIEVE VICTORY OVER NEBIROS...THAT YOU WON'T FALL.
Be strong, Ren.
PROMISE...

Tsukiko...?
NOW LET GO OF MY HAND.
YOU'LL BE DRAGGED DOWN, TOO!
RE... REN-KUN...
STOP!
I'M NOT LONELY. THERE ARE A LOT OF PERSONALITIES WITHIN TSUKIKO.
YOU JUST DRIFT ETERNALLY...
...YOU CAN'T FALL TO A WORLD WITHOUT GROUND. YOU WON'T FALL ANYWHERE.
THERE'S A BARRIER AROUND THIS BUILDING...
UH...!
TH-THANK YOU.

TSUKIKO!
I'm fine
I couldn't protect them.
Something I held...I lost again
...again...
Perhaps this is the fate I deserve...

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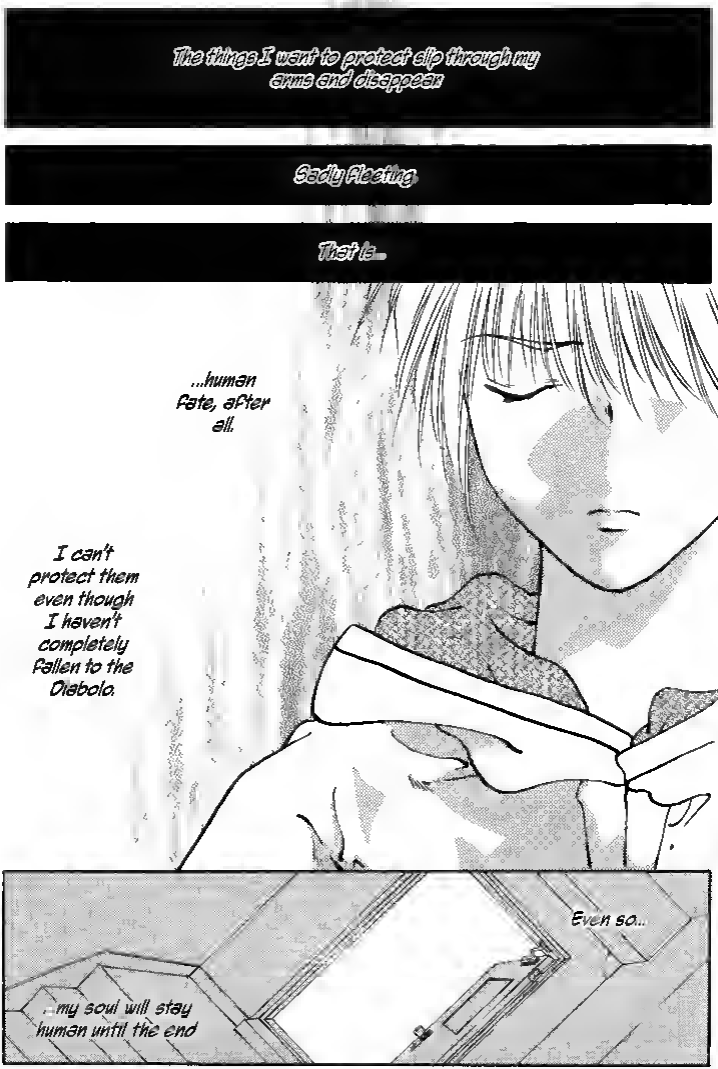
Mother...
Tsukiko...
Nana...
I killed them all
At least Mia..
OH..?

ALL WILL END TONIGHT...
SO THE BARRIER'S BEEN BROKEN
IT SEEMS MASTER LUCIFUGE HAS BEEN DEFEATED.
IT'S EARLIER THAN PLANNED, BUT...THAT'S FINE.

You got your hands on the body that you wanted but what did you really want...?
This is your real body; we're both illusions.
Ren I tried hard; you know?
"So it's okay, right"...?
I'll return to being my mom's daughter soon...


The things I want to protect slip through my arms and disappear
Sadly fleeting
That is...
...human fate, after all.
I can't protect them even though I haven't completely fallen to the Diabolo.
Even so...
...my soul will stay human until the end

AH! FINALLY YOU'VE COME TO ME, REN.

RAI!

GIVE MIO BACK! WHERE IS SHE?!
HA HA!

YOUR RAGE HAS MADE YOU POWERFUL, REN! I'M GLAD...
WHOA!
GIVE IN TO YOUR RAGE, REN! JOIN ME!
Don't listen to him...
Don't listen to his voice...
Don't look at his eyes.
That which was Rei, is now...
...the seduction of the devil.

WHAT?
FINALLY... WE CAN RELAX AND HAVE A CONVERSATION, HM?
SOMETHING'S WRONG WITH A SOCIETY WHERE SUCH AN EVIL THING CAN BE SO EASILY OBTAINED BY A 17-YEAR-OLD, DON'T YOU AGREE?
IT'S A WEAPON OF YOUR BELOVED HUMANITY.
...!

DON'T WORRY, REN.
THERE'S NO WAY I'D MAKE YOU A SACRIFICE.
I'LL THROW AWAY THIS BODY OF MINE AND.. BECOME ONE WITH YOU, MY OTHER HALF.
YOU'RE AFTER MY BODY THEN? YOU MAKE ME SICK.
OH DEAR, OH DEAR.
SUCH AN ANGRY CHILD, AREN'T YOU?
YES. .HE WAS INSOLENT IN THE PAST
That's Nema and the Master?
YOU'RE THE LAST OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS?
WHY DID YOU TARGET MIO? WHY DID YOU MAKE US SUFFER SUCH A FATE?
WELL, MIO IS...

...OUR DAUGHTER, AFTER ALL.
W-- WHAT?!
I WANTED TO BE YOUNG AGAIN. I WANTED TO BE ETERNALLY SEVENTEEN... I DION'T WANT TO BECOME AN OLD LADY.
IT WAS MONEY FOR ME. IT'S MY ONLY GOD...
YOU WOULD PUT YOUR OWN DAUGHTER THROUGH THIS. FOR GREED?
YOU'RE INSANE!

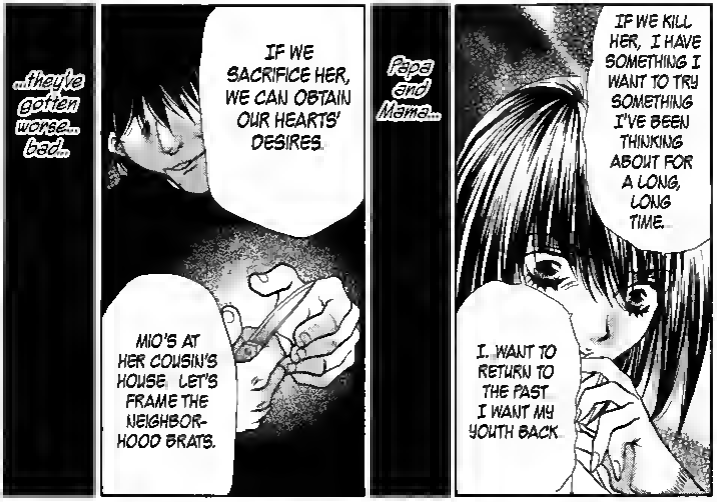
WHATEVER!
WE'LL BE FREE SOON.
THIS GAME IS OVER
WHAT...?
WHA---
NO!! HOW...?!

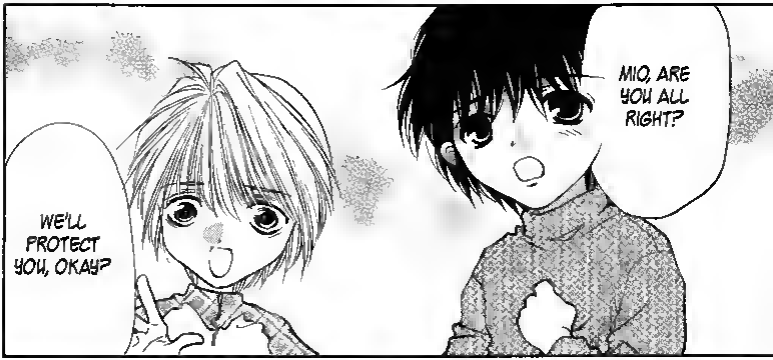
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?!
I HAVE NO NEED OF THEM ANYMORE THEY'RE JUST PAWNS. DECORATIVE FOR APPEARANCES, REALLY!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
NOW, MIO, COME HERE.
YOU AND THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS ARE ALREADY IN OUR HANDS.

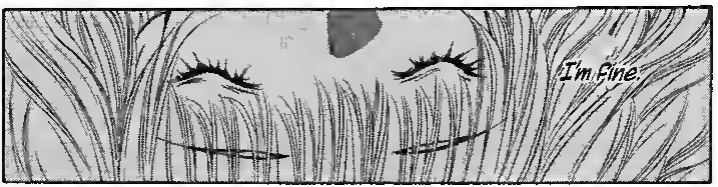
WHAT ABOUT YOU, MIO?
OH, EXPLANATIONS... WHERE SHOULD I START...
...MY MASTER?

STUPID DISGUSTING BRAT! OH, I HATE IT, HATE IT! YOU JUST COST ME TIME AND MONEY!
LET'S HURRY UP KILL HER...
...AND CLAIM THE INSURANCE MONEY!
I'm fine.
It's all right because I've already given up.
Mio is fine.

Promise
Diabolo


...they've gotten worse... bad...
IF WE SACRIFICE HER, WE CAN OBTAIN OUR HEARTS' DESIRES.
MIO'S AT HER COUSIN'S HOUSE. LET'S FRAME THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD BRATS.
Papa and Mama...
IF WE KILL HER, I HAVE SOMETHING I WANT TO TRY SOMETHING I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT FOR A LONG, LONG TIME.
I...WANT TO RETURN TO THE PAST. I WANT MY YOUTH BACK.


MIO, ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
WE'LL PROTECT YOU, OKAY?


I'm fine.

I WILL GRANT YOU WHATEVER YOU WISH.
HEY, YOU'RE FRIENDS WITH MIO, AREN'T YOU? DON'T YOU WANT TO SAVE HER?
I'm not sad...
MIO?
THAT SOUNDS KINDA SUSPICIOUS. BE CAREFUL, RAI.
HEY, REN!
THEY SAY ALL WE HAVE TO DO IS HELP A LITTLE AND OUR WISH WILL COME TRUE!
DIDJA HEAR WHAT I SAID?
HEY, REN! LISTEN TO THIS...!
THEY PROMISE WE CAN MAKE MIO WELL.

MIO..?!
SHOULD WE CALL AN AMBU-LANCE?
LET'S LOOK FOR THAT OLD MAN!
RAI! WHAT KIND OF STUPID...
Did you call us?
MISTER, PLEASE SAVE MIO!
WE'LL DO WHATEVER YOU SAY!!
WE PROMISED WE'D PROTECT MIO!
Hurt by those who should love me..!!
It's okay if they kill me...

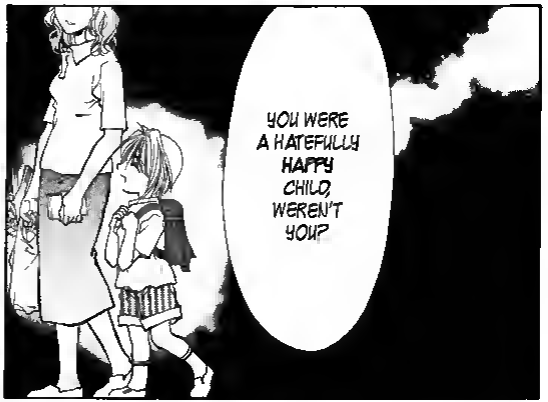
but
WHOA?!
...I don't want anyone else besides Mio to be happy!
I won't allow it.
I can't die if the world is peace-ful.
WHA... WHAT IS IT? WHY?
WHAT'S HAPPEN--
AAHH...

It should all break.
BUT THAT'S...
...MIO.
YOU STARTED IT ALL...?
MIO'S WISH MUST HAVE BEEN MORE PURE AND ATTRACTIVE THAN THE EGOS OF WORTHLESS ADULTS.
MIO WAS THE SACRIFICE, BUT SHE WAS CHOSEN BY THE DEVIL... AND THE PARENTS BECAME THE PAWNS.
MIO REALIZED HER TRUE FEELINGS AND USED HER PARENTS TO TAME HER SPONSOR, LUCIFUGE...
..THOUGH IT TOOK TEN YEARS TO CARRY OUT THE ORIGINAL RITUAL.

THINK ABOUT IT, REN. EVEN THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS ARE JUST PITIFUL CHILDREN!
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF THEY LIVED.
THEY'RE GONE! DEFEATED! IT'S OUR WISH COME TRUE!

WISH..?

OH, SORRY.


YOU WERE A HATEFULLY HAPPY CHILD, WEREN'T YOU?

WHEN THE RITUAL IS COMPLETED, THE GATE WILL OPEN.
ON THE OTHER SIDE 'IN THE WORLD OF THE DIABOLO' THERE IS A BEAUTIFUL DANCE OF CHAOS AND ANNIHILATION.
Inside me I can only hear the wails of the souls of the dead
I don't understand anything anymore
Mother..
REN.

POOR REN... COME TO ME.
I'LL PUT YOUR MISERY TO AN END.
THAT'S RIGHT. I GOT YOU INVOLVED. I DESTROYED YOUR HAPPY LITTLE FAMILY...AND NOT BY ACCIDENT, EITHER.
NO...!
HURRY UP AND GET OVER HERE, YOU FAILURE.

MIO...!
!
What?
My body...
It's...
URGH!

YOU'LL LIVE MERGED WITH ME. WE CAN WATCH OVER ALL THE COMING DESTRUCTION.
IT'S ALL RIGHT. I WON'T LET IT HURT, REN.
It wasn't enough to fall to the Diabolo together
This whole time I wanted to become you.
How sad that you should become mixed up with the likes of us.
I hated, envied and loved you, Ren.
...

REN!

TSUKIKO! KYOUYA! YOU'RE ALIVE!
HMPH.
HELLO, NEBIROS. SURPRISED TO SEE US?
WE'RE WITH YOU, RAI IF WE'RE GOING TO HELL ANYWAY.
...WE MIGHT AS WELL MAKE IT COUNT

TSUKIKO... BUT YOU FELL...!
HANDY, EH?
I TOLD YOU...I'M INVINCIBLE AT NIGHT.
RAI KILLED NANA, BUT SHE SAVED ME.
IF you combine your powers together then maybe, just maybe...
...he'll be human.
...in the end.
He can't live with him.
My poor boy.
HMPH! HARD TO IMAGINE THAT THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS COULD HAVE SOME SEMBLANCE OF PITY, EH?

YOU'RE TOO LATE! LOOK AT THE SKY! THAT'S THE GATE!
I HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF ALL OF YOU BEFORE THE DAY BREAKS, ANYWAY.

I FEEL GUILTY TARGETING A CHILD...

THIS IS SO BORING.
It's a world of difference.
I can't touch...
OOF!
MIO, LEAVE IT TO ME
YOU COULD RUIN IT IF YOU INTERFERE. YOU'LL WASTE THEIR VALUE AS A SACRIFICE.

RAI!
HA!

YOU'RE SO MUCH MORE POWERFUL THAN THE OTHERS, REN
YOU SHOULD BE HURT THE MOST, BUT YOU'RE FULL OF POWER...
I'm the shield.
Ren is the sword.
We were such perfect partners
Let's play again, just the three of us, just like old times!
Isn't this fun, Ren?
STOP!

THOSE TWO... THEY'RE PRACTICALLY EQUAL IN POWER!

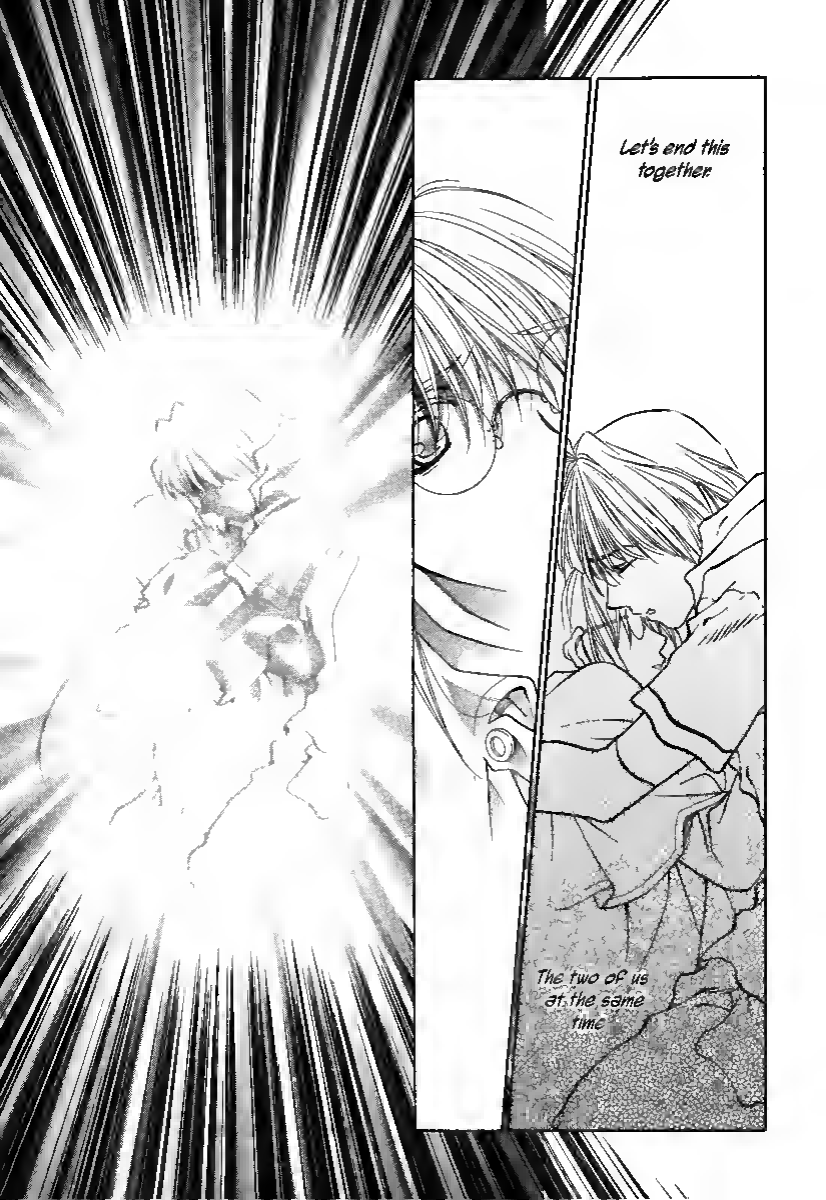
I WAITED A WHOLE TEN YEARS. MIO CAN'T BE PATIENT ANYMORE. I'M IN A HURRY. VERY MUCH SO.
MIO BORED. IRRITATED.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND. WHAT'S THAT BRAT THINKING...?!
EITHER ONE OF THEM IS FINE FOR MIO. AS LONG AS THIS WORLD BREAKS
RAI!
RAI!
WAIT, KYOUYA... SOMETHING'S NOT RIGHT!
!
WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR, REN?!
KILL RAI... NOW!!

A pentacle?
YOU MUSTN'T, REN! IT'S A TRAP...AN ILLUSION!

OH, YOU REALIZED IT WAS A SNARE? YOU'VE LEARNED TO BE SUSPICIOUS, EH, REN?
BY MY HAND. WE PROMISED EACH OTHER THAT WE'D END IT IF IT CAME THIS FAR, DIDN'T WE?
KILL ME. I'LL TAKE THAT BODY. JUST YOU IS ENOUGH IF I GATHER THE POWER OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS INTO ONE PERSON, I'LL BECOME THE KEY.
WE'VE DIVIDED THE TRUE POWER OF NEBIROS BETWEEN US. WE TWO ARE ONE. JUST THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS ISN'T ENOUGH. THAT'S THE ONLY REASON WHY YOU'RE NEEDED
SORRY, RAI.

IT'S ALL MY FAULT, ISN'T IT?
REN...?
SORRY. I GUESS I JUST DIDN'T WANT TO SEE IT FOR WHAT IT WAS.
YOU AND MIO AREN'T WRONG. I WAS THE CATALYST FOR IT ALL.. I FINALLY UNDERSTAND IT NOW
YOU REALLY WANTED ME TO DIE MOST OF ALL, DIDN'T YOU?
IM SORRY.


Let's end this together
The two of us at the same time

REN!?
WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM!?
A DIRECT ATTACK TO THE BODY...!
YOU DID WELL, NEBIROS.
REN!

...!
REN'S BEEN POSSESSED BY NEBIROS!
IT CAN'T BE!
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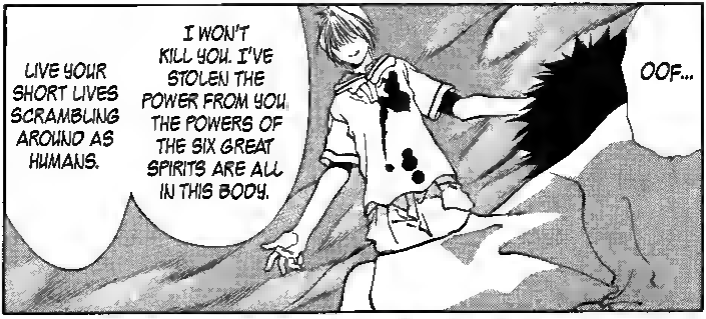
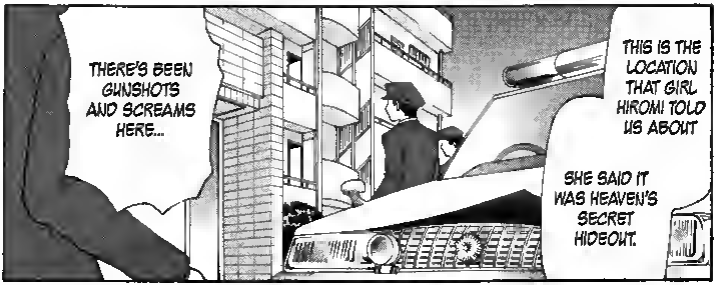

OOF...
I WON'T KILL YOU. I'VE STOLEN THE POWER FROM YOU. THE POWERS OF THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS ARE ALL IN THIS BODY.
LIVE YOUR SHORT LIVES SCRAMBLING AROUND AS HUMANS.

This is the worst thing
that could have happened.

NOW, NEBIROS, LET'S OPEN THE GATE AND FINISH THE RITUAL.
I'VE DREAMED OF THIS MOMENT FOR TEN YEARS! NOW, THE WORLD WILL DIE!
NEBIROS?

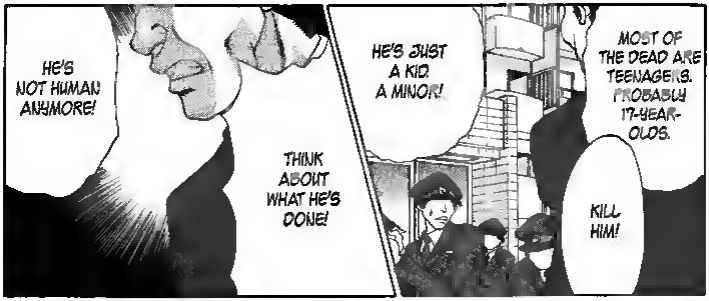
WHAT...?!
AGH!
CAN'T... SHAKE HIM OFF!
NEBIROS! YOU TRAITOR!
USING ALL THE SIX GREAT SPIRITS' POWERS TO BETRAY MIO...?

WAIT...
...YOU'RE NOT NEBIROS! YOU'RE...


THERE'S BEEN GUNSHOTS AND SCREAMS HERE...
THIS IS THE LOCATION THAT GIRL HIROMI TOLD US ABOUT
SHE SAID IT WAS HEAVEN'S SECRET HIDEOUT.

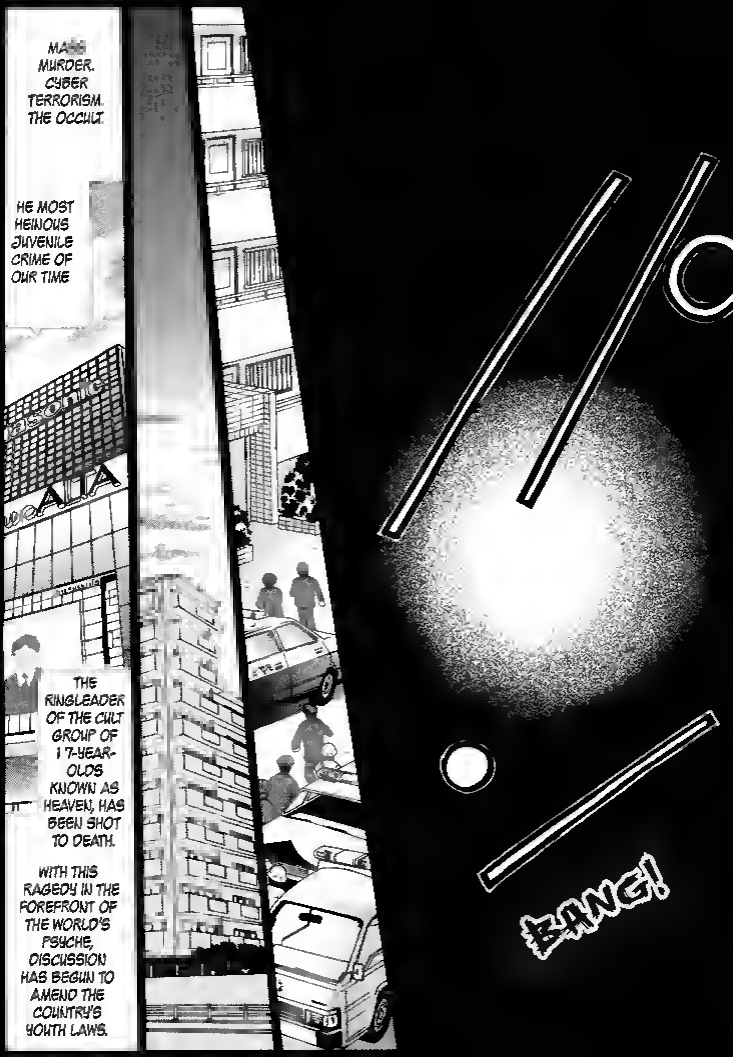
WAIT. SOMEONE'S COMING!

HE'S CARRYING A SMALL GIRL!
IS SHE DEAD ...?
A BOY..?
THEY'RE COVERED IN BLOOD..
THERE'S A PILE OF CORPSES INSIDE.
HE MUST BE THE LEADER!


HE'S NOT HUMAN ANYMORE!
THINK ABOUT WHAT HE'S DONE!
HE'S JUST A KID. A MINOR!
MOST OF THE DEAD ARE TEENAGERS. PROBABLY 17-YEAR-OLDS.
KILL HIM!

IS THAT RAI..
..OR REN? WHICH ONE...?

WE'VE BEEN GIVEN ORDERS TO SHOOT FROM THE CHIEF!
I CAN'T TELL...
IS IT A DIABOLO WHO'S GOT HIS HANDS ON ALL THE POWER...?
OR COULD IT BE--


MASS MURDER. CYBER TERRORISM. THE OCCULT.
THE MOST HEINOUS JUVENILE CRIME OF OUR TIME
THE RINGLEADER OF THE CULT GROUP OF 17-YEAR-OLDS KNOWN AS HEAVEN, HAS BEEN SHOT TO DEATH.
WITH THIS TRAGEDY IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE WORLD'S PSYCHE, DISCUSSION HAS BEGUN TO AMEND THE COUNTRY'S YOUTH LAWS.
BANG!

CAU-
GEROUS!
THEY NEED TO TOUGHEN THE YOUTH LAWS!
DIDN'T TAKE 'EM LONG TO TEAR DOWN THE CONDO.
REMEMBER WHEN HEAVEN WAS KINDA COOL?
ヒソヒソ!!!
Even consider-ing the heinous nature of the crimes involved
in the end, those involved were only human.

Diabolo~血~〈終〉

Not long ago...
...I got an egg from an angel.
Shards of an Angel
天使のかけら
てんし

I'll treasure you and warm you and hatch you.
I'll return you to the sky.
I'll protect you.

HELLO.
EXCUSE ME, BUT IS THAT EGG YOURS?
WHAT ARE YOU?
JUST A CAT.
IT'S AN ANGEL'S, BUT...
..THE ANGEL GAVE IT TO ME.

WHERE IS THE ANGEL THAT GAVE THAT TO YOU?
IF IT WERE A REAL ANGEL, THEN IT WOULDN'T HAVE PARTED WITH THE EGG.
PERHAPS IT IS A DEVIL'S SNARE.
DON'T SAY SUCH STRANGE THINGS.
THAT PERSON...
ピシ
CRACK

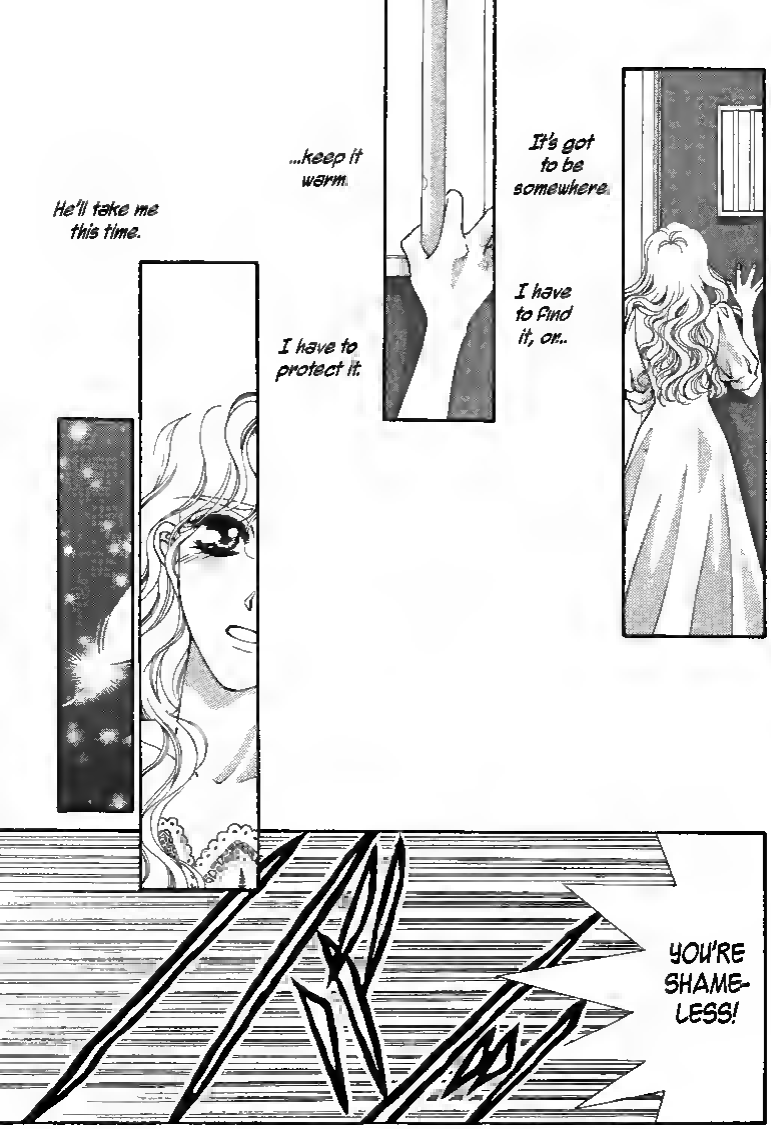
...WAS DEFINITELY...
...MY ANGEL.
THEN WHERE HAS YOUR ANGEL FLOWN TO?
HE LEFT ME...
WITH THIS EGG
IT'S JUST A SHARD
CRACKLE
パリン

SEE, IT WAS AN ANGEL AFTER ALL.
EVEN THOUGH IT'S JUST A SHARD...
..THIS IS A PART OF HIM....

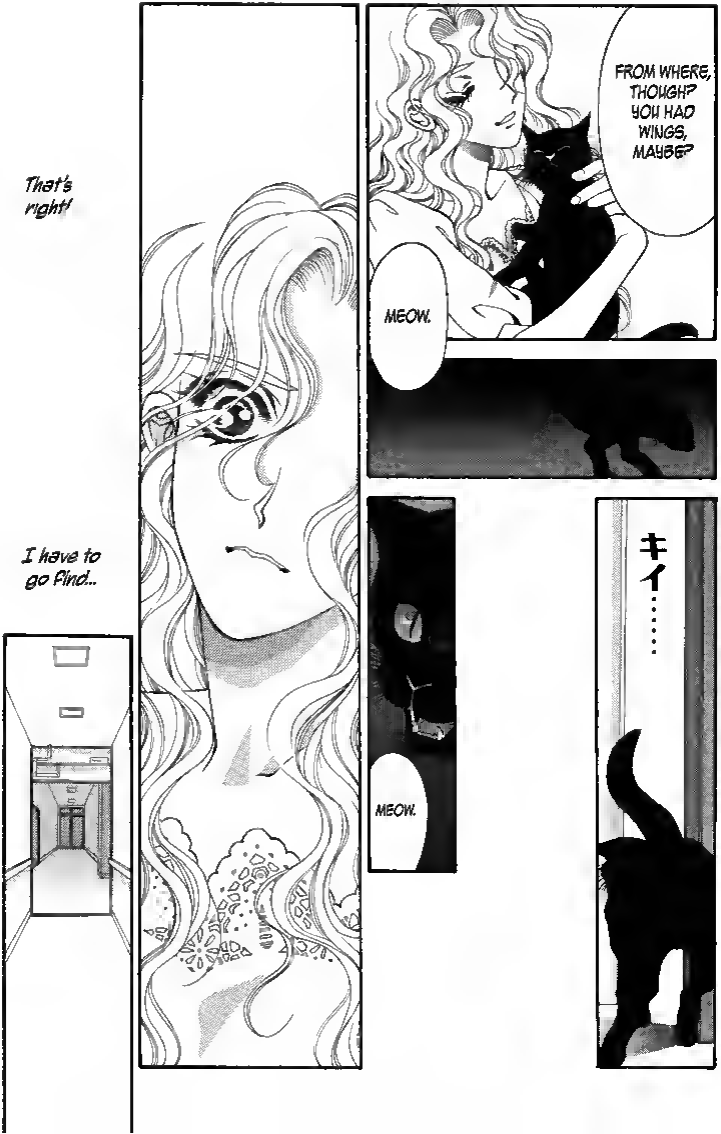
メキ
MY ANGEL...
WHAT...?

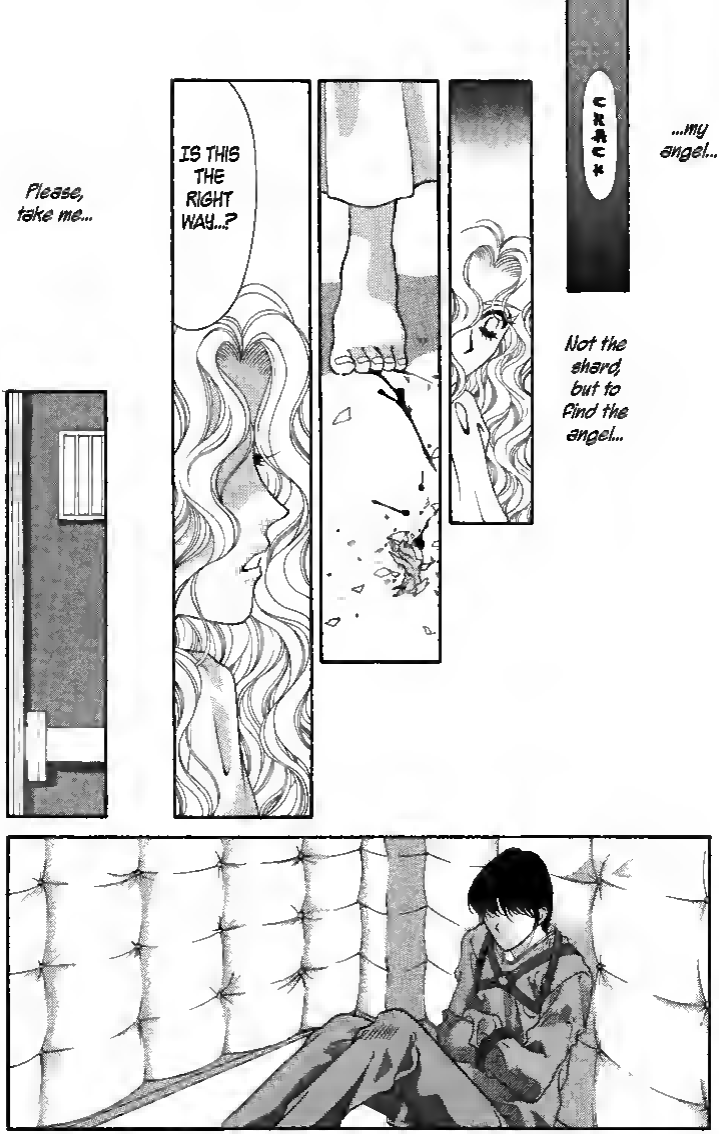
OH!

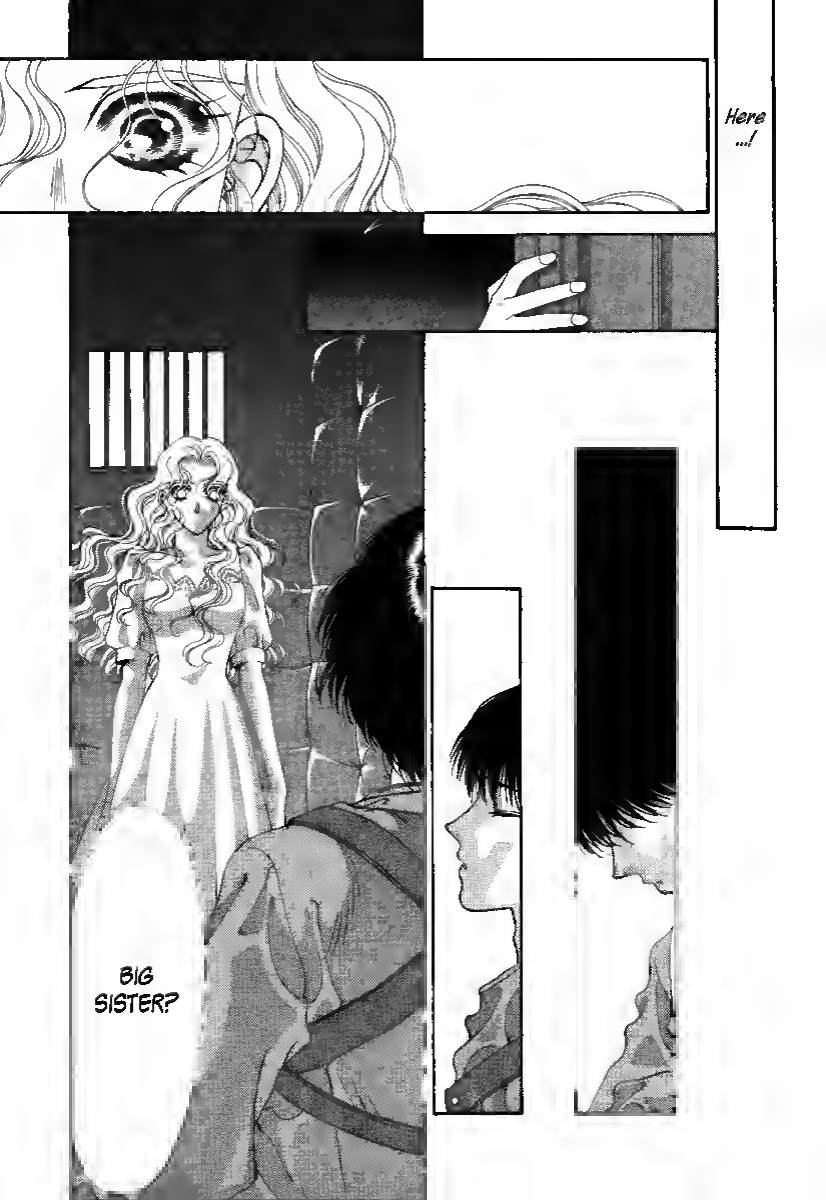
NO!
THAT'S NOT AN ANGEL!!!
Where is this?
Why am I imprisoned?
And where is...?
Yes..


...keep it warm.
It's got to be somewhere.
He'll take me this time.
I have to find it, or..
I have to protect it.
YOU'RE SHAME-LESS!

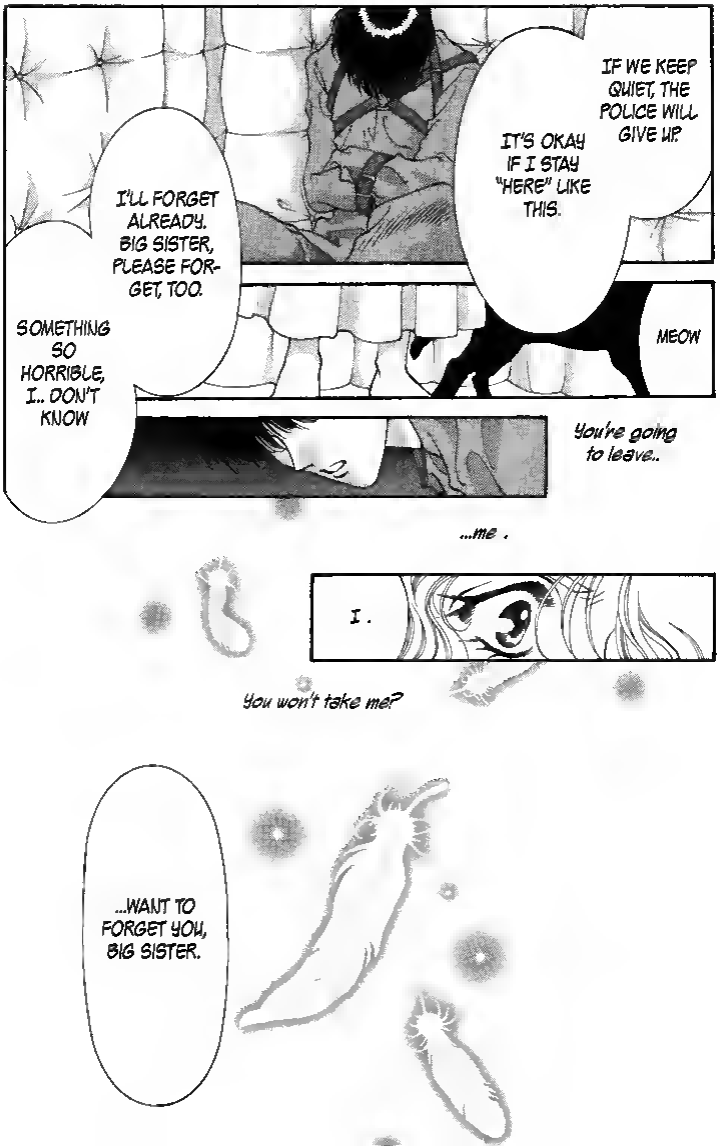
I SHOULD NEVER HAVE GIVEN BIRTH TO THE LIKES OF YOU!
WE DID EVERYTHING WE COULD TO BRING YOUR SICKLY HIDE UP
Die.
HAD WE KNOWN THIS WAS GOING TO HAPPEN, WE WOULD HAVE LET YOU DIE!
I would never say such things to a child of mine.
That's why...
MEOW
YOU?
WE'VE MET BEFORE, HAVEN'T WE?


FROM WHERE, THOUGH? YOU HAD WINGS, MAYBE?
MEOW.
キィ……
MEOW.
That's right!
I have to go find...


Please, take me...
IS THIS THE RIGHT WAY...?
Not the sword, but to find the angel...
...my angel...


Here ...!
BIG SISTER?

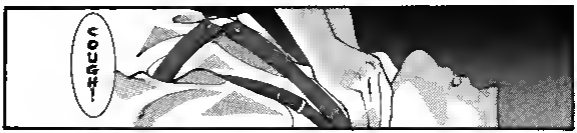
YOU'RE BIG SISTER, AREN'T YOU ?
THIS SCENT...
I CAN TELL
His eyes...
ARE YOU..
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? I..
What...?
ジャラ
I THOUGHT BIG SISTER, YOU WERE.
BUT DON'T WORRY. I WON'T SAY ANY-THING.
IT'LL END IF I JUST TAKE THE BLAME
BIG SISTER, FORGET ALL OF IT..
What are you say--


IF WE KEEP QUIET, THE POLICE WILL GIVE UP.
IT'S OKAY IF I STAY "HERE" LIKE THIS.
MEOW
I'LL FORGET ALREADY. BIG SISTER, PLEASE FORGET, TOO.
SOMETHING SO HORRIBLE, I... DON'T KNOW
You're going to leave..
...me .
I .
You won't take me?
...WANT TO FORGET YOU, BIG SISTER.

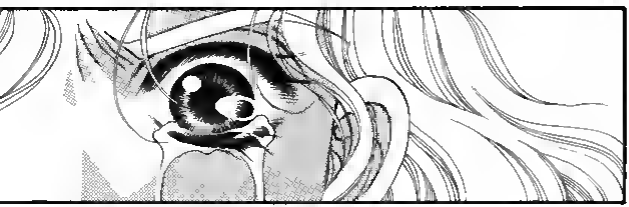
STOP, BIG SISTER! PLEASE STOP!
PLEASE FORGIVE MOM AND DAD!
IT'S NO GOOD! I CAN'T FORGIVE THEM! I CAN NEVER FORGIVE THEM!
THEY'RE DEAD ALREADY...!
THEY'RE BOTH DEAD...
BIG SISTER!

NO!
THEY MADE ME SLEEP..USED DRUGS.. AND KILLED THE BABY.. !!
THIS IS PUNISHMENT!
PUNISHMENT!!
STOP..
I DON'T WANT TO SEE YOU LIKE THAT, BIG SISTER.
I DON'T WANT TO SEE THE DEVIL INSIDE YOU, BIG SISTER!

I tried to protect...!



You intend to leave me, don't you?!



There aren't any angels anymore...

BIG SISTER...
IF OUR CHILD WAS BORN...
WOULD IT HAVE BEEN AN ANGEL ...?
OR A DEVIL ..?

IT'S TIME FOR YOUR PHYSICAL EXAMINATION.
BUT YOU'RE STILL UNCONSCIOUS, EH?
EEK! OH NO! THIS CAT! WHERE DID IT COME FROM?!
Probably just a "shard"...
MEOW.
WHAT A BAD OMEN!

YOU POOR THING. YOU'VE GOT THE FACE OF A SLEEPING ANGEL.
THE SURVIVOR OF A SUICIDE....
YOUR YOUNGER BROTHER PASSED AWAY EARLIER
NOW IT'S JUST YOU, ISN'T IT ?
ONLY YOU KNOW THE TRUTH.
WAS THE PERPE-TRATOR REALLY .
YOUR YOUNGER BROTHER?
WAS HE TRYING TO DEFEND HIS BELOVED OLDER SISTER?
POOR LOVERS...
OH...?
THAT'S WHAT THE CAT WAS AFTER... A BIRD'S EGG .?
MEOW.

Shards of an Angel <The End>

Kusunoki has challenged herself with Ohashi's characters. Even though we're sisters, we had some differences with this co-authored series. This shouldn't be attempted when both people are busy, huh...? When I have some spare time, then maybe I'll try another co-authored series!!

I tried drawing the characters Kusunoki was in charge of!
A lot happened while co-authoring, and I learned quite a bit.
Maybe I'll do it again yep.
I couldn't make up my mind whether to put Mio in a Goth Loli or a Kimono.
The lace looked too hard, so a kimono it was.
Come play at our HP, okay?
I'll work hard from now on, too.
I'm grateful to a lot of people.

Kaoru Ohashi

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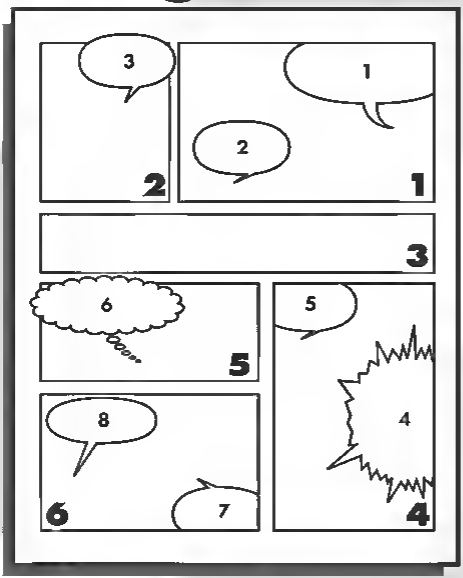

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